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Dear Mr. Citron:

Thank you for your interest in ALVESCO® (ciclesonide) Inhalation Aerosol. I'm responding to your medical inquiry forwarded by your Account Director, Scott Hylla, regarding:

Product Dossier for ALVESCO Inhalation Aerosol

The enclosed information is supplied as a professional courtesy in response to your inquiry. It is intended to provide pertinent data that will assist you in forming your own conclusions and making your own decisions. This information is not intended to advocate any indication, dosage, or other claim that is not covered in the enclosed package insert.

Additionally, please find the enclosed customer satisfaction survey, regarding the content of the requested information, which will assist the medical information department in providing the best possible service to healthcare professionals. Please complete the survey and send it back to the Medical Information Department (either via fax or the enclosed envelope containing pre-paid postage) at your earliest convenience.

For additional information regarding ALVESCO Inhalation Aerosol, please visit our http://www.alvesco.us/ website. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us directly at 1-800-739-0565.

Thank you again for your interest in ALVESCO Inhalation Aerosol.

Sincerely,

Melissa Ibrahim, PharmD Specialist, Medical Information

CC: John G. Karafilidis, PharmD

Enclosure: Package Insert-ALVESCO® (ciclesonide) Inhalation Aerosol

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Product Dossier for ALVESCO® (ciclesonide) Inhalation Aerosol

Thank you for your request to receive an ALVESCO Inhalation Aerosol Product Dossier.

The attached pharmacoeconomic information is being provided to you, as requested, because you indicated that this information is needed to support your organization in your capacity as an economic decision maker, third party payer, or large scale purchaser. This pharmacoeconomic information should not be provided to prescribers for the purpose of making treatment decisions for their individual patients.

Enclosures:

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